

## CLAIMS

I claim:

1. A method of illuminating an electrical component cover plate having an outer surface and an inner surface, said cover plate comprising:

providing a translucent cover plate having an LED, said cover plate;

providing a reflective surface to said inner surface of said cover plate;

providing a step down transformer circuit for converting power from said electrical component to said LED.

2. The method according to claim 1, wherein said LED is a multi-color LED.

3. The method of claim 1, wherein said cover plate is acrylic.

4. The method of claim 1, wherein said cover plate is polycarbonate.

5. The method of claim 4, including the additional step of mixing said polycarbonate with an optically conductive material.

6. The method of claim 4, including the additional step of mixing said polycarbonate with an optically conductive material to form a unidirectional opaque cover plate.

7. The method of claim 1, wherein said cover plate includes a switch for changing the color of the LED responsive to user selection.

8. The method of claim 1, wherein said cover plate includes a switch for changing the color of the LED responsive to a sensed condition.

9. The method of claim 1, wherein said cover plate includes a control for changing powering the LED responsive to a sensed condition.

10. The method of claim 1, wherein said cover plate is translucent.
11. The method of claim 1, wherein said cover plate is transparent.
12. The method of claim 1, wherein said LED is a white 1.2 watt LED.
13. The method of claim 1, wherein said cover plate is transparent.